

Town of Abington

Board of Health Meeting

Monday, October 18, 2021

(Town Hall Cotter Room)

6:00 p.m.

Members present: Aaron Christian, Chairman; Christina Fifer, Vice Chair; Chris Schultz, Kevin Whalen, Melissa Pond

Health Department Staff present: Marty Golightly, Director of Public Health

Aaron Christian calls the meeting to order 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Christian turns the floor to Marty Golightly, Abington Health Director, to give COVID-19 updates: On October 15th there will be a Pfizer 2:30 p.m. - 4:15 p.m. in the high school cafeteria for those 12-year-old and older. The Health Department is also giving out \$25 gift cards for Stop and Shop for the first 75 people to get vaccinated. Mr. Golightly expects the first 5 – 11-year-old COVID vaccination clinics to be held the first of November, starting October 20th. Mr. Golightly reports being out of flu vaccinations and is waiting for the state shipment.

Review of Regulations: Mr. Christian purposes a reviewal of regulations to keep them up to date with current realities. Workplace and public smoking regulations are under review this meeting. Mr. Christian notes that the “retail tobacco store”, “smoking”, and “smoking bar” have been changed by state standards. The legal smoking age has been changed to 21.

Christina Fifer asks if the smoking regulations should include the consumption of cannabis. Mr. Golightly is unsure whether the definition extends to cannabis. Ms. Fifer wonders about increasing the effectiveness of these two definitions. Kevin Whalen says that Abington regulations should align with State regulations. Mr. Golightly suggests making one smoking regulations document.

Approval of Minutes: Mr. Whalen motions to approve the July 12th, 2021, minutes, Melissa Ponds seconds, unanimous

Ms. Fifer makes a motion to adjourn, seconded by Mr. Whalen, unanimous.

(10:38 mins)

Respectfully,
Cassandra Jordan